



Welcome to the Clark County Community Development e-News. We send this publication out once a month to announce the latest in what's happening. We will attempt to cover a broad range of topics that we hope will be of interest to you. We need your input! We welcome your comments about our news bulletin; and if you have topics you would like us to cover and we haven't, we'll do our best to accommodate you!☞

Case management vs. the production line

Case management is a process where one county contact person oversees the review of an entire project from beginning to end. Developing this approach is one of the important elements of the county's new Express Permitting initiative. [Click here](#) to read the entire article.☞

New call before you dig number

The efforts made in our engineering community to include the "Call Before You Dig" information on the plans for proposed development is greatly appreciated. It is, however, important to note that there is now a unified number within the State of Washington that can be utilized when calling for locates as required by RCW 19.122.

The new number is **1-800-424-5555**. When including the "Call Before You Dig" information on your plans, please ensure the new number is reflected. If you should have any questions, please contact Dean Shadix, 360-397-2446 ext. 1651 for further information.☞

Utility Pre-Cons

In the interest of enhanced communication and coordination Clark County's Utility Inspection Office is now hosting "**Utility Pre-construction Meetings**" for all private developments. It is the intent of these meetings to provide the necessary information needed by the utility companies to adequately serve new developments as well as plan and coordinate relocations of existing facilities required for proposed development.

If you should have any questions, please contact Dean Shadix at 360-397-2446 ext. 1651. It is our hope that these efforts to enhance communication between the developer/contractor and the utilities

will provide for a higher level of coordination and ultimately lessen the difficulties associated with the development process.☞

Animal Control

Each year Animal Protection and Control spends time making Clark County a better place for humans and animals to live together. Some of the ways that we

accomplish this is by setting up coalitions with local animal agencies, having specific special programs that reach out into the community and by keeping our officers up to date with regular training.

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Utilizing both public and private funding sources, Animal Protection and Control is working in partnership with the No More Homeless Pets coalition to provide low cost spay and neuter programs throughout the county. The coalition is working on strategic planning to reduce euthanasia and unplanned breeding of animals.

Animal Control is in the midst of our annual update of disaster protocols to ensure our readiness to keep pets safe and cared for in case of a disaster. As well, we have an officer who is currently taking the FEMA independent study course in Animal disaster preparedness as well as in Live-stock disaster preparedness.

An animal control representative will be available to answer any of your questions about Animal Control and Pet Licensing at the Southwest Washington Humane Society's Annual Adopt-a-Thon on May 3rd and 4th at the Humane Society located at 2121 St Francis Lane in Vancouver, WA. Animal Protection and Control will also be available to answer your questions at the Southwest Washington Humane Society's Walk for the Animals on May 10th.

Animal Control Officers are available to present to your community organization regarding Dog Bite Prevention. Call Animal Protection and Control at (360)397-4288 for more information.☞



Quick Clicks

- Comprehensive Plan Update
- IVR Inspection System
- Team Focus
- Department Calendar

Divisions

- Animal Protection and Control
- Building Division
- Code Enforcement
- Customer Service Permit Center
- Development Services
- Engineering Services
- Fire Marshal's Office
- Long Range Planning

ComDev in the News

- “County delays vote on congestion standard in Salmon Creek” - The Columbian (4-2-03)
http://www.columbian.com/04022003/clark_co/25450.html
- “Foreclosures in county on the rise.” – The Columbian (4-7-03).
<http://www.columbian.com/04072003/business/26807.html>
- “Traffic plan could limit building of new homes.” The Oregonian (4-7-03).
http://www.oregonlive.com/metronorth/oregonian/index.ssf?/base/metro_north_news/1049716668293180.xml
- “Sewer line agreement reached.” The Columbian (4-5-03).
http://www.columbian.com/04052003/clark_co/26152.html
- “Two Evergreen elementary schools close to most new kids”- The Columbian (4-8-03)
http://www.columbian.com/04082003/clark_co/27122.html
- “County lowers Salmon Creek speed standard.” The Columbian (4-9-03).
http://www.columbian.com/04092003/clark_co/27205.html
- “Moratorium ends without relief.” The Oregonian (4-9-03).
http://www.oregonlive.com/search/index.ssf?/base/metro_north_news/104988977458580.xml?oregonian?nn
- “Port says there’s none other like its own Discovery Corridor.” The Columbian (4-9-03).
http://www.columbian.com/04092003/clark_co/27211.html
- “\$220 million hospital gets county’s OK.” The Columbian (4-11-03)
<http://www.columbian.com/04112003/business/28018.html>
- “Developer of quarry wants terms clarified.” The Columbian (4-15-03).
http://www.columbian.com/04152003/clark_co/28881.html
- “\$40 million distribution center to call Ridgefield home.” The Columbian (4-16-03).
http://www.columbian.com/04162003/front_pa/29162.html
- “Return to moratorium appears possible.” The Columbian (4-16-03).
http://www.columbian.com/04162003/clark_co/29188.html

What’s On TV Tonight?

There is a lot on CVTV (channel 23) about Community Development. For example, you can watch the animal control, land use, and code enforcement hearings, as well as the county Planning Commission. To see the complete schedule click here: www.cvttv.org ☿

Expanding our audience

Do you know others who would benefit from this information? Any list serves that would be appropriate for us to post this on? On the other hand, if you would like to be taken off our e-mailing list, just let us know. Contact Désirée at desiree.demonye@clark.wa.gov ☿